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All Lanes Will Be Closed on Westbound I-55/70 in St. Clair County ***REMINDER***

COLLINSVILLE – The Illinois Department of Transportation (IDOT) confirmed that a full closure on westbound Interstate 55/70 from Illinois 203 to the Interstate 55/70/64 interchange in East St. Louis is scheduled to begin on Friday, August 4, weather permitting.

Starting at 9 p.m. Friday, westbound Interstate 55/70 will be closed from Illinois 203 to the Interstate 55/70/64 interchange. A posted detour will direct traffic to take southbound Interstate 255 to westbound Interstate 64 to access westbound Interstate 55 or Interstate 70. Westbound Interstate 55/70 traffic will not be able to travel west of Illinois 203. The closure is necessary for bridge repairs on a bridge west of Illinois 203.

The closure is expected to reopen by 5 a.m. Monday, August 7.

The contractor on this project is Keeley & Sons, Inc. of East St. Louis, Illinois.

Motorists are advised to seek alternate routes during construction weekends and anticipate some longer travel times.

By utilizing a full expressway closure and keeping construction restricted to the weekend when traffic volumes are down, IDOT aims to reduce the length of time the work zone is needed during heavier traveled weekday periods.

Follow our Twitter page to find details on other construction projects in IDOT's District 8. Updates on the impacts to traffic are available at http://stl-traffic.org.

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